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SUBJ: PRG LIAISON OFFICE AT UN

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1. IN RESPONSE TO SEVERAL QUESTIONS REGARDING POSSIBLE PRG LIAISON OFFICE, SYG' S SPOKESMAN AT REGUALR NOON BRIEFING TODAY WAS QUOTED BY USIA REPORTER ATTENDING BRIEFING AS SAYING QTE THE SYG' S REPRESENTATIVE, MR. AUBRAC, IS IN CONTACT IN PARIS WITH THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PROVISIONAL REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT IN ORDER TO DISCUSS THE DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF THE PROBLEM. IN VIEW OF THE CONVERSATIONS NOW UNDER WAY, I CANNOT TELL YOU MORE AT THIS STAGE. UNQTE.

SYG SPLKESMAN REFUSED TO RESPOND TO A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS BUT IN REPLY TO ONE WAS REPORTED TO HAVE SAID THAT IT COULD BE CONCLUDED THAT DISCUSSIONS ARE STILL UNDER WAY.

2. ON LEARNING OF LINE TAKEN BY UN SPOKESMAN, AMB PHILLIPS TELEPHONED URQUHART TO CLAIRIFY. URGUHART SAID THAT HE HAD BEEN TELEPHONED ABOUT 4 AM APRIL 10 BY AUBRAC AND WALDHEIM (BOTH OF WHOM IN EUROPE). SYG HAD PREPARED PRESS LINE VERY CAREFULLY BECAUSE HE MOST ANXIOUS TO AVOID GIVING PUBLIC REBUFF TO PRG. SYG DOES NOT WANT TO ENCOURAGE PUBLIC CONFRONTATION AND, IN FACT, IS (THROUGH AUBRAC) ENDEAVORING TO " EDUCATE" PRG ON REALITIES.

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3. URQUHART CONFIRMED TO PHILLIPS THAT MESSAGE HAD ACTUALLY BEEN TRANSMITTED APRIL 9 TO PRG AND THAT LETTER

MAKES IT ABUNDANTLY CLEAR THAT THERE IS NO POSSIBILITY OF PRG BEING GRANTED OBSERVER STATUS AT UN. URGUHART CONFIRMED THAT POSSIBILITY OF INFORMAL CONTACTS FOR HUMITARIAN PURPOSES ARE SUBJECT OF AUBRAC- PRG DISCUSSION.

4. IN SUMMARY, SYG, WHILE TURNING DOWN REQUEST FOR OBSERVER STATUS PRIVATELY, IS ATTEMPTING TO HANDLE MATTER PUBLICLY SO AS TO REDUCE CONFRONTATION WITH PRG.

5. AMBIGUITY OF POWERLL'S STATEMENT HAS RESULTED IN PRESSURE ON USUN SPOKESMAN TO CLARIFY STAND BOTH ON OBSERVER TO TAKE POSITION THAT USG CONFIDENT THAT SYG HAS REACHED APPROPRIATE CONCLUSION ABOUT OBSERVER MISSION AND THAT, SINCE PRG WOULD NOT HAVE NECESSARY STATUS, VISA QUESTION DOES NOT ARISE.

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